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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

- 1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. JP 03-276338 published December 6, 1991 together with an English language abstract; and
- 2. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. JP 11-265279 published September 28, 1999 together with an English language abstract.

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The references listed above were cited in an Official Action dated February 23, 2010 received from the Japanese Patent Office, a copy of which is enclosed. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references required by 37 C.F.R. 1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (ii). Please note that the other references cited in the Office Action were previously submitted in applicants' Information Disclosure Statement dated May 18, 2009. The relevance of the above-cited references is described in the Official Action.

Further, the undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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